Amount spent on Adult Education Programme

228. SHRI VEDPRAKASH P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what amount has been spent on Adult Education Programme during the last three years, State-wise;

(b) what has been the performance of Government agencies *vis-a-vis* NGOs;

(c) what is the monitoring mechanism to examine the performance; and

(d) what steps are being taken for better success?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI JAYSINGRAO GAIKWAD PATIL): (a) The information is given in the statement. (*See* below)

(b) The overall responsibility of implementation of Adult Education programme largely rests with Zilla Saksharata Samiti (ZSS) with adequate decentralisation at block and village level. ZSS is set up as a registered society, headed by the District Collector and *inter-alia,* consisting of social and educational activists, persons drawn from voluntary agencies, identified district level officials. The role of Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) is largely advisory.

(c) The mointoring mechanism to examine the performance of the project consists of the following:—

— An inbuilt mechanism in the multi-graded primers for self-evaluation;

— Monthly Progress Reports are discussed in Monthly Monitoring Meetings at State level; and consolidated reports submitted to National Literacy Mission (NLM).

— Concurrent evaluation for a quick mid-term appraisal to assess strengths and weaknesses and to suggest correctives, conducted by institutions of Social Science Research nominated by State Directorate of Adult Education;

—External evaluation at the conclusion of the project by reputed Social Science Research Institutions nominated by NLM.

(d) The major steps being taken for better success of the Programme are :—

—An integrated approach to literacy to achieve continuity, efficiency and convergence; and to minimise unnecessary time lag between Literacy, Post Literacy and Continuing Education stages.

—To increase per learner cost for Literacy and Post Literacy Programmes.

—To strengthen and expand in scope and content the basic structure of the continuing Education Scheme. (CECs) would be further strengthened and expanded in scope and content.

—To strengthen the existing State Resource Centres.

—To strengthen and expand Jan Shikshan Sansthan Scheme.

Statement

Amount spent on adult education programme

(Rs. in Lakhs)

State	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99	Total
Andhra Pradesh	1081.06	922.55	114.52	2118.13
Arunachal Pradesh	20.72	3.67	—	24.39
Assam	194.29	86.97	195.61	476.87
Bihar	1062.52	446.98	347.39	1856.89
Goa	3.32	0.56	4.61	8.49
Gujarat	458.78	112.34	105.25	676.37
Haryana	57.12	77.50	55.50	190.12
Himachal Pradesh	49.18	112.82	63.86	225.86
Jammu & Kashmir	50.47	38.02	130.04	218.53
Karnataka	350.16	303.29	84.39	737.84
Kerala	537.97	15.35	48.34	601.66
Madhya Pradesh	548.53	459.47	636.25	1644.25
Maharashtra	432.83	746.29	467.71	1646.83
Manipur	20.63	17.94	25.55	64.12
Meghalaya	112.46	16.85	16.00	145.31

State	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99	Total
Mizoram	0.57	34.23	49.52	84.32
Nagaland	56.90	32.34	27.89	117.13
Orissa	310.13	196.62	206.91	713.66
Punjab	135.00	211.14	42.98	389.12
Rajasthan	1304.62	820.35	359.73	2484.70
Sikkim	11.22	—	—	11.22
Tamil Nadu	261.21	554.00	120.17	935.38
Tripura	4.73	27.00	61.32	93.05
Uttar Pradesh	943.27	537.23	728.37	2208.87
West Bengal	728.11	502.82	1937.06	3167.99
Chandigarh	41.37	20.00	57.86	119.23
Delhi	158.57	173.87	32.25	364.69
Pondicherry	—	18.24	—	18.24
Daman & Diu	—	—	—	—
Andaman & Nicobar	12.56	—	5.81	18.37
Dadra Nagar Haveli	—	—	—	—
Lakshadweep	4.32	—	3.21	7.53
TOTAL:	8952.62	6488.44	5928.10	21369.16

Conversion of KVS into a statutory body

229. SHRI JALALUDIN ANSARI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether, of late, there has been a demand for converting Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan into a Statutory Body; and

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI JAYSINGRAO GAIKWAD PATIL): (a) Centre for public interest litigation and Rashtriya Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangh have filed a writ petition in the High Court of Delhi wherein they have *inter alia* pleaded that the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan be brought within the frame work of a statute of Parliament.